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Docket No.: M-7125-2D US

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Applicants: Steven T. Mayer; Vijay Bhaskaran; Evan E. Patton; Robert L. Jackson; Jonathan Reid  
Assignee: Novellus Systems, Inc.  
Title: Process For Electroplating Metals Into Microscopic Recessed Features  
Serial No.: 09/716,016  
Examiner: Unknown  
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Group Art Unit: Unknown

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page)(in duplicate);
- (3) Preliminary Amendment (7 pages); and
- (4) Request to Amend Drawings (8 pages).

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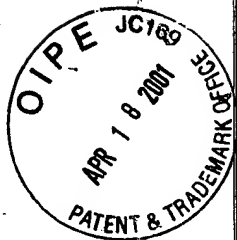
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REQUEST TO AMEND DRAWINGS  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, Applicants respectfully request permission to amend  
Figs. 15, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, and 52, as shown in red on the accompanying sheets.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this request, the Examiner is  
invited to call the undersigned at (408) 453-9200.

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